"IS THERE HOPE ON THE HORIZON FOR THE COUNTIES OR ARE WE JUST STUCK IN GRIDLOCK?"

An Informational Briefing for Legislators, Business and Community Leaders & Media presented by

The Honolulu City Council Planning and Transportation Committee, the Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization & the Committee for Balanced Transportation

Monday, February 28, 2005

Mission Memorial Auditorium

AGENDA

7:30 a.m. REGISTRATION AND RESOURCE VIEWING

8:00 a.m. WELCOME & OPENING REMARKS

8:15 a.m. IS IT TIME TO ALLOW COUNTIES THE FUNDING AUTHORITY TO ADDRESS THE TRANSPORTATION CRISIS?

Hear first hand what the counties have to say about what they would do with a share of the State General Excise Tax if allowed by the Legislature. Learn what types of solutions they already have in mind for solving transit and transportation concerns in their communities.

9:25 a.m. LET'S TALK STORY: HOW PUBLIC INPUT HELPS SHAPE AND INFLUENCE TRANSPORTATION AND DEVELOPMENT PRIORITIES

Learn about the Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization and what they do to help make transportation projects happen on Honolulu and the neighbor islands. See how you and your organizations can get involved in the process of identifying and prioritizing our transportation needs.

10:10 a.m. BREAK

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10:20 a.m. POTENTIAL SOLUTIONS THAT COULD HAPPEN WITH THE PASSAGE OF A TRANSIT/TRANSPORTATION TAX AUTHORIZATION

Explore potential short-term and long-range fixes for the residents of Honolulu: from rail projects to bus system improvements, commuter ferries, bridges and bikeways. Projects and concepts to be covered include the following:

- BEEN THERE, DONE THAT: WHAT'S NEW ABOUT MASS TRANSIT/RAIL SINCE 1992 AND WHAT'S NEEDED TO MAKE IT FINALLY HAPPEN
- HOW AN AWARD-WINNING BUS SYSTEM CAN BECOME EVEN BETTER: IMPROVING DELIVERY AND BUILDING A NETWORK OF TRANSIT CENTERS THROUGHOUT OAHU
- CATCHING THE WAVE: BUILDING A SUCCESSFUL COMMUTER FERRY SYSTEM FOR OAHU
- LOCAL PROBLEMS NEED LOCAL SOLUTIONS: WHAT WE ARE DOING ABOUT OUR STREET AND ROADS (OMPO BASELINE 2030)
- THE WAIKIKI PEOPLE MOVER PROJECT
- BRIDGING THE GAP: HOW SOME SIMPLE (AND NOT SO SIMPLE)
 INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS CAN IMPROVE COMMUTING
- HANABATA DAYS: BRINGING BACK THE HONOLULU STREETCAR
- IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF LIFE IN HAWAII: BUILDING BIKEWAYS AND WALKABLE COMMUNITIES (Smart Growth)

12:00 p.m. CONFERENCE WRAP-UP & ADJOURNMENT

A discussion of what we need to do together to bring transportation solutions to fruition.